

WEATHER

Considerable cloudiness and little change in temperature with scattered thundershowers today and tonight. Wednesday partly cloudy and not quite so warm.

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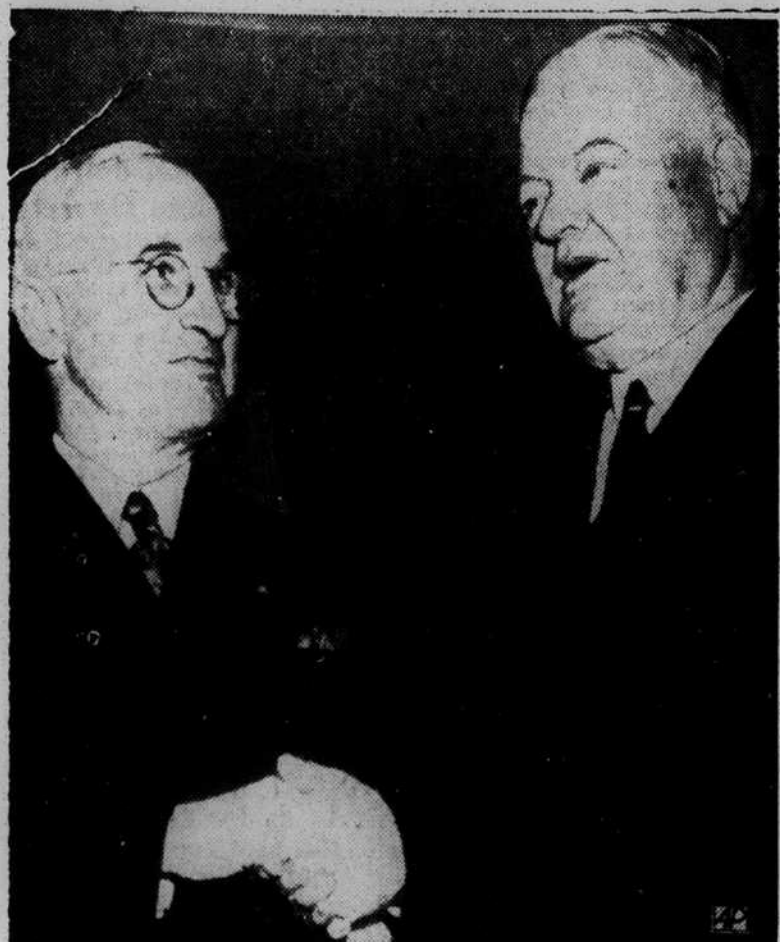
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SUPERFORTS LIGHT GIANT FIRES IN YOKOHAMA

Yanks Push Down Okinawa Coasts To Tighten Pincers About Shuri



TRUMAN CONFERS WITH HOOVER—President Truman (left) and former President Herbert Hoover shake hands in the White House upon Hoover's arrival, on the President's invitation, to discuss the critical European relief situation. It was Hoover's first visit to the White House in 12 years.—(AP Wirephoto).

AT CONFERENCE:

Stettinius Bids For U. S. Mediator Role

Recognizes Fact That Big Powers Must Work Together Under Self-Imposed Restraints

By John M. Hightower Associated Press Diplomatic News Editor SAN FRANCISCO, May 29.—(AP)—A frank bid by Secretary of State Stettinius for closer relations with Russia focused American foreign policy on Soviet issues today and swung the United States toward the role of mediator among the great powers.

WAWA DAM IS UNDER ATTACK

Capture Of Dam Would End One Phase Of Fight On Shibus Line

MANILA, May 29.—(AP)—Capture of Wawa Dam, a source of distressed Manila's water supply, appeared imminent today. A mechanized column of the 38th Infantry division bore down on the dam in a frontal assault.

Seizure of the dam would end one phase of the long and hard battle to break up remnants of the Japanese Shibus line in the Sierra Madre mountains east of Manila.

Capture of Santa Fe, important road junction on the mountainous southern approach to the extensive Cagayan valley—the Japanese last-stand corridor on northern Luzon—was reported today by Gen. Douglas MacArthur.

The 25th division pushed into Santa Fe against little opposition. The 32nd division, moving along the Villa Verde trail to the west, was within three miles of the town.

As the 38th slugged deeper into the Marikina gorge toward the Wawa Dam, Associated Press Correspondent James Hutchison reported there were indications the Japanese were withdrawing from hill positions near the dam and retreating into mountain fastnesses beyond the river.

Purchase Of Bonds Duty To Country WASHINGTON, May 29.—(AP)—A war bond statement by Lt. Gen. Ben Lear, deputy commander, European theatre of operations: "Purchase of war bonds is the duty which every man, woman and child owes to his country."

RED ARMY TRAINING MOSCOW, May 29.—(AP)—All Soviet youths of the eighth and ninth grades—between 15 and 16 years old—have been called for army training scheduled to begin June 1, it was announced today.

JAP SUICIDE PLANES DAMAGE FLEET UNITS

77 Kamikaze Raiders Are Shot Down In Attacks Sunday, Monday

STRONG RESISTANCE

By Leif Erickson GUAM, May 29.—(AP)—In the wake of suicide Japanese air attacks which sank one light United States fleet unit and damaged 12 others in Okinawa waters, American infantrymen slogged down both sides of the muddy island today to begin closing a pincer around stubbornly defended fortress Shuri.

Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, announcing damage to the fleet, said at least 77 raiders were shot down as they attacked Sunday night and Monday. He gave no details beyond saying damage was "light to moderate."

The air raids were the second in less than a week, and have cost the Japanese more than 240 planes. Last Thursday they lost 166 planes, damaged 23 American fleet units and sank one.

A swift stab in Sixth division Marines under Maj. Gen. Lemuel C. Shepherd, Jr., who for a week patiently expanded their Naha bridgehead, swept through the entire western two-thirds of the island capital yesterday.

A Marine patrol moved onto Onoyama island in the center of the Naha estuary but was driven off.

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TB WORKER IS SECURED HERE

Miss Mary E. Griffin, Formerly Of Lexington, Begins Work July 1

Cleveland county is to have a full-time tuberculosis worker, it was announced this morning by Mrs. R. T. LeGrand, vice president of the Cleveland County Tuberculosis association, who said that the directors of the Shelby Chamber of Commerce had secured the services of Miss Mary E. Griffin, registered nurse, beginning July 1.

Miss Griffin comes to Shelby from Lexington where she has been connected with the health department for the past several years. She made an enviable record in that city and comes highly recommended.

This is the first time in the history of the county that Cleveland county has had a full-time tuberculosis worker. The tuberculosis association was organized only two years ago but has raised sufficient funds in those two years to be financially responsible for the full-time worker.

COORDINATOR Miss Griffin will be the co-ordinator between the people and the existing public health agencies as far as tuberculosis cases are concerned. She will assist with public relations work, health education, case finding, rehabilitation and the sale of Christmas seals.

New officers of the association just elected are: Rev. R. N. Baird, of Kings Mountain, president; Mrs. R. T. LeGrand, vice president; Mrs. Leon Bradshaw, secretary and Mason Carroll, treasurer.

Rev. Mr. Baird has been ill and Mrs. LeGrand has been acting as head of the organization in his forced absence.

War Demands To Turn Loose 4,800,000 In Next 6 Months

By KARL R. BAUMAN WASHINGTON, May 29.—(AP)—War demands will turn loose 4,800,000 workers and fighters in the next six months but fewer persons will be seeking jobs than three months from now.

WPB Chairman J. A. Krug made these predictions today, estimating the decline in the number of war workers during June, July and August at 2,900,000.

Joblessness during that time, he said, will jump from about 1,100,000 persons to around 1,900,000. Krug said about 700,000 of those

DEMAND SHOWDOWN:

Eden Hints French Will Withdraw Reinforcements Sent To Levant

LONDON, May 29.—(AP)—Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden broadly hinted today that France should withdraw the reinforcements sent to the Levant States, in order to avoid a possible flare-up in the Arab world that would hamper prosecution of the Pacific war.

Dispatch of fresh French troops to Syria and Lebanon led to outbreaks in those areas, which are presenting a united front in demanding a show-down with France on their demands for independence.

Eden told Commons that "the net increase of French troops is very small—about 500 men—but his majesty's government have told the French government of their fear that their arrival may cause regrettable actions."

Calling on all parties involved to "behave with caution and prudence," Eden declared it would be "inexcusable if developments in Syria or Lebanon" interfered with the war against Japan.

Eden said the French reinforcements arrived in Beyrouth about the same time as the French dele-

gate-general brought French proposals for a final settlement between France and the Levant states. He did not elaborate on the substance of those proposals.

SHOWDOWN The two tiny middle eastern mandates, backed by the Arab league, appeared to be forcing a showdown which may cost France part of her empire.

Diplomatic observers in London, who are watching developments in the Levant with apprehension, expressed the view that France had only two alternatives—either she must stand by her demands and put down opposition by force if necessary or she must withdraw and accept inevitable loss of prestige as an imperial power.

Both in London and in Washington diplomats were seeking an amicable solution and striving to avoid violence which might further disturb the delicate balance in the middle east.

Fighting already has broken out in Syria between French forces and natives protesting their presence.

An Associated Press dispatch from Damascus said Syria's acting Premier Jamil Mardam Bey had expressed fears that a "general class" might be near as fighting spread to Homs, 120 miles north of the capital, after the French had moved reinforcements from there to quell an outbreak at Hama, 30 miles farther north.

CROSS FIRE The French were reported to have the main street of Homs under continual cross-fire yesterday, shooting at anybody venturing on the street, while French artillery shells had knocked out one wall of the Sarail (government building). Syrians ambushed and captured three French armored cars, killing six crewmen and wounding three others.

At Hama, best available estimates in Damascus placed the casualties at more than 200, including a considerable expected proportion of dead. French gendarmes were reported in control of the railroad station, with Syrian Bedouins moving in on the town from the desert to the east.

GAS SERVICE PLAN OPENED

Chamber Of Commerce Directors Also Talk New Freezer-Locker Unit

Further investigation of a proposal to grant a franchise for gas service in Shelby and support of a movement to get a Freezer-Locker unit for Cleveland county were pledged at a meeting of the directors of the Shelby Chamber of Commerce at the Shelby hotel last night. The session was presided over by Clyde A. Short, president.

Promise to look into the matter of a gas franchise followed a petition presented to the city board of aldermen last week by the Public Service company of North Carolina, Inc., on which no action was taken. It was explained to the meeting last night that the petition came by letter and that no representative of the company was on hand with whom the city fathers might talk. It was for that reason, it was stated that the matter was frowned upon.

CITY OFFICIALS City officials who were present at last night's meeting said they would open the matter again and receive the utility representatives to discuss the matter.

A committee composed of Dr. S. S. Roster, Thad Ford and Lowery Austell was appointed to look into

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ARMY CONTROLS GAFFNEY MILL

GAFFNEY, S. C., May 29.—(AP)—The army was in control today of the Gaffney Manufacturing Co., which has been strikebound since May 14 when negotiations for a settlement of a dispute between the management and union workmen broke down.

The plant, employing 700 persons, was taken over by Capt. Halbert M. Jones, of the Greenville quartermaster price adjustment district office, who is here as a representative of the War department. He took over under order of President Truman, whose directions were that the War department seize the plant and operate it as deemed essential to the successful prosecution of the war.

It was the third southern plant to be taken over by the War department under executive order due to work stoppages. The other two were the American Enka corporation of Asheville, and the Cocker Machine and Foundry Co. of Gastonia.

NEEDED SUPPLIES Capt. Jones stated when he took over the plant at 3 p.m. yesterday that the army was not taking over to settle the dispute but to get the plant in operation so that supplies needed by the armed forces might be forthcoming.

The work stoppage was precipitated when the management of

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WPB Removes First Building Restrictions

Ceilings On Repair And Remodeling Projects Increased Five-Fold; Materials Still Scarce

By Sterling F. Green WASHINGTON, May 29.—(AP)—The reconversion pattern emerged in full today as the construction industry won its first release from wartime constraints and thereby caught up with the manufacturing segment.

BOND SALES ARE DOUBLED

Cleveland County Report Shows \$656,102.50 In Securities Sold Sale of United States war bonds in Cleveland county has doubled within a week, the present total standing at \$656,102.50, according to a compilation through May 24 made this morning by George Blanton, war finance chairman for Cleveland county.

Of the total sales there have been sales of \$211,527 in E, F and G bonds.

Mr. Blanton pointed out this morning that on all sales of bonds to individuals up to the end of this month, the interest is computed as of May 1.

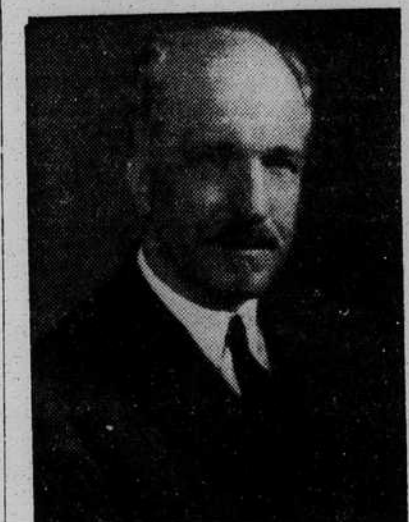
Although the bond chairman are feeling much better at the sudden increase in sales, they point out that half the time is gone and Cleveland has met only a little more than a third of its quota. The overall quota is \$2,069,000 and the quota for E, F and G bonds is \$744,000.

The securities, which are being sold under the direction of the War Finance Committees, are as follows: Series E, F and G Savings Bonds, Series C Savings Notes, 2 1/2% Bonds, 2 1/2% Bonds, 1 1/2% Bonds, 3% Certificates of Indebtedness. The 1 1/2% Bonds will not be offered in the drive to corporations.

The drive for individuals will extend from May 14 to June 30. However, an intensification of activities in the sale of Series E bonds began April 9, when millions of persons on payroll savings plans throughout the country were asked to enlarge their participation as a part of the Seventh War Loan. All Series E, F, and G Savings Bonds and Series C Savings Notes processed through the Federal Reserve Banks between April 9 and July 7 will be credited to the drive.

During the final phase of the drive which will cover the period from June 18 through June 30, subscriptions will be received from all other non-bank investors for the 2 1/2% and 2 1/2% marketable bonds and the certificates of indebtedness.

FATALLY INJURED FORT SAM HOUSTON, Tex.—(AP)—Fort Sam Houston authorities announced today that First Lt. William L. Wise of Greenwood, S. C., stationed here, was fatally injured Sunday while swimming during a visit to a ranch at nearby Bandera.



MR. WENDT

GERALD WENDT TO SPEAK HERE

Consulting Editor On Science For Time, Life And Fortune

Gerald Wendt, consulting editor on science for Time, Life and Fortune magazines and "The March of Time" will speak to the Executives club at the Charles Hotel Friday, night at 7 o'clock. The final day for making reservations is Thursday, May 31.

Dr. Wendt, a distinguished American scientist before entering the magazine and motion picture field, is considered America's foremost interpreter of scientific progress.

For a number of years the business and professional leaders which comprise the groups affiliated with the Associated Clubs in more than 100 leading American cities have been informed of "science miracles" in advance of their appearance as the practical, commonplace necessities of industrial, business and family life.

NEW IMPROVEMENTS In his talk here on "New Laboratory Wonders for us All," he is prepared, by reason of his strategic position at the source of all new scientific developments, to talk on a host of new improvements and sources of what we eat, wear and use, and on the great new industries and changes in the patterns of American communities to follow the war as a consequence of laboratory research.

Dr. Wendt is in almost daily personal contact with the research authorities of industrial and college laboratories and the managements of leading industries. He regularly participates in the "shop talk" at sessions of national conferences and conventions of scientific organizations.

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WHAT'S DOING

TODAY 6:00 p.m.—Banquet for Morticians of District 11 meeting at Hotel Charles.

7:00 p.m.—Rotary club directors meet at Hotel Charles.

7:00 p.m.—C.A.P. members meet at armory.

8:00 p.m.—Called meeting of Cleveland Lodge 202 A. F. & A. M. at lodge room for work in second degree.

WEDNESDAY 7:15 p.m.—Sunday school officers and teachers of First Baptist church meet at church.

7:45 p.m.—Prayer meeting at Presbyterian church.

8:00 p.m.—Fellowship hour at Central Methodist church.

8:00 p.m.—Midweek prayer and praise service at First Baptist church.

THE WAR TODAY: Bloody Clash In Syria Has Far Reaching Ramifications

By DeWITT MacKENZIE, AP Writer

It is a tragic circumstance — with all the trappings of a cynic's holiday—that, while the United Nations labor in San Francisco to create a world peace-structure, a bloody clash at arms should be going on among countries represented at the conference.

The fighting in Syria between French troops and natives is at best a nasty affair, and it could develop into an upheaval involving many countries if it were allowed to run its course. The United States and England are using their best offices to try to halt it.

What's happened in Syria is this: When Syria and its little neighbor, Lebanon, were taken from Turkey at the end of the last war, they were placed under French mandate. However, the peoples of both these middle eastern countries have through the centuries been fiercely independent and they continued to press for their liberty until France finally promised it.

The Hitlerian war intervened, but June 1, 1944 finally was set as the date when Syria and Lebanon should receive full sovereignty.

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HEAVIEST INCENDIARY RAID TO DATE

Crewmen Think Destruction Will Rank With That In Tokyo

WIND FANS FLAMES

By Hamilton W. Faron GUAM, May 29.—(AP)—Superfort crews returning today from their heaviest incendiary raid on Japan reported they had lighted giant fires in the industrial section of Yokohama in the first strike against Tokyo's port city.

More than 450 B-29s loosed 3,200 tons of bombs in their third strike in six days within a 20-mile radius of the imperial palace. Airmen reported smoke billowed for four miles above the city and predicted destruction would rank with that of previous highly effective fire raids against other major Japanese industrial cities. Even the enemy's high command conceded "considerable damage" was inflicted.

Clouds of black smoke, such as comes from burning oil, was reported pouring up from Yokohama's highly inflammable commercial core in the southern end of the city, fifth largest in Nippon.

A strong wind appeared to be spreading the fires through automotive, aircraft, shipbuilding and rubber plants.

The great flights of Superforts flew through intense and accurate anti-aircraft fire to strike their targets, which included most of the city. An enemy communique said some of the raiders swept on northward to hit Tokyo and the industrial town of Kawasaki which lies between the capital and the

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CHINESE REACH SHULO VICINITY

Move Represents Advance Of More Than 60 Miles From Nanning

CHUNGKING, May 29.—(AP)—Chinese forces pressing along the highway leading southwestward into Indo-China have reached the vicinity of Shulo, more than 60 miles from recaptured Yungling (Nanning) the high command announced tonight.

The advance widened the breach in the main highway in Japan's China-Indo-China corridor to approximately 120 miles. The high command said fierce fighting was raging in the vicinity of Pinyang, highway hub 60 miles northeast of Yungling. Both sides were reported suffering heavy casualties.

Observers in Chungking speculated whether the Japanese if forced out of Pinyang would withdraw northward to the railroad junction city of Liuchow or eastward in the general direction of Canton and Hong Kong.

Unconfirmed reports said today the Japanese were withdrawing from the former American air base at Liuchow in Kwangsi province as Chinese troops aimed a two-pronged attack at the railroad junction city.

NEAR PINYANG Veteran Chinese troops, who captured the big inland port Nanning (Yungling) Saturday in their most spectacular victory in months, pushed to the outskirts of Pinyang, 58 miles to the northeast and about 90 miles southwest of Liuchow.

Liuchow also was threatened from the west. Chinese forces advanced from captured Hwaiyuanchen, crossed a north-south stretch of the Yangtze river seven miles west of Ishan and drove on toward that Japanese stronghold, 43 miles west of Liuchow.

Meanwhile there was a growing opinion in the Chinese capital that Japanese forces, with the exception of scattered pockets, might be planning to withdraw at least to north of the Yangtze and possibly north of the Yellow river in a general realignment of their strength in China. A withdrawal to the nearest point on the Yangtze from Liuchow would mean a retreat of about 450 miles.